## SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN (PUBLIC PARTICIPATION)

May 16, 2006 7:00 PM

Mayor Guinta called the meeting to order.

Mayor Guinta called for the Pledge of Allegiance, this function being led by Alderman Roy.

A moment of silent prayer was observed.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Aldermen Roy, Gatsas, Long, Duval, Osborne, Pinard, O'Neil,

Lopez, Shea, DeVries, Garrity, Smith, Thibault and Forest

Mayor Guinta advised that the purpose of the special meeting is to give residents of Manchester the opportunity to address the Board on items of concern affecting the community; that each person will be given only one opportunity to speak; that comments shall be limited to three minutes to allow all participants the opportunity to speak and any comments must be directed to the Chair.

Mayor Guinta requested that any resident wishing to speak come forward to the nearest microphone, clearly state their name and address when recognized, and give their comments.

Katherine Gatsas, 568 Island Pond Road, Manchester stated:

Mayor Guinta my comments are directed to you this evening and also to Senate President Ted Gatsas and although she is not here NH Attorney General Kelly Ayotte. John Jaskolka has proven himself to be a deceitful, prejudiced policeman. On November 7, 2005, Jaskolka and his assistant agreed to investigate phone evidence that would incriminate a man in uniform. Six months have passed and no phone records. Jaskolka broke his promise. The phone evidence will prove the man in uniform lied to the police to dissuade the investigation. Jaskolka's police department foolishly spins this man's lies and slanders my reputation. Jaskolka suggested to me in the conference that I had with him that men do not commit crimes, men in uniform do not commit crimes. Their occupational station is privileged above the law. The United States Justice Department has compiled volumes of testimony describing acts of violence against women by men in uniform. Validation to my complaints by women throughout this nation, when an Indian pump is filled with volatile hydrocarbon solvents and used as a weapon against innocent women that is a crime. When a man threatens "I will melt your face bitch" and delivers on his threats by dispensing chemicals, that is a crime. Frank Monnelly resorted

to trickery to oppress my complaint. Monnelly said the black box didn't detect anything. Shame on you Frank Monnelly. That box is not designed to detect volatile hydrocarbon solvents, benzene solution and other chemicals. Jaskolka, Kane and Monnelly could have resolved this problem quietly and internally a year ago when I went to them asking for their help. Instead Jaskolka delivers up his bias. Civil rights denied. Sexism practiced. My mother is 80 years old. We fear for our lives. My family has been harassed and terrorized for two years. Jaskolka's police department has mocked and dismissed our complaints. Our civil rights have been violated and the violence against us covered up. Please Mayor Guinta I beg of you, the police records, the phone records will prove the truth. The phone records will prove the truth. The phone records

## John Wood, Bedford, NH stated:

The Valley Cemetery is a national historic site. The federal government has put the Valley Cemetery on the national register of historic places. This is very important. The State of NH has three governors buried there and nine Mayors from this City. It is important that the City continue restoration of the Valley Cemetery. On Friday night of this week we are going to announce at Dr. Gustafson's home an initiative to make the Valley Cemetery into an arboretum. This is important for a number of reasons. Number one, we believe that through grant writing we can receive more money from all levels – federal, state and local governments to make this cemetery into the beautiful park that it is and even better. I encourage the Aldermen if they are available to come to the party Friday night at Dr. Gustafson's house. You all received invitations. It is very important that the money that the Mayor put in the budget for the Valley Cemetery be kept in the budget so we can continue restoration and make this site what it should be, a national monument to the State of NH. Thank you.

## Karen Angela Maria Carter Turgeon, Manchester stated:

People have been calling me Karen Carter for 18 years. I never divorced my husband. My husband couldn't get his psychiatric drugs so he took a header in Concord state prison before Christmas last year. I have been an advocate for mental health since 1970. I started fighting when I was a patient there. My problem is discrimination in this City. I am sick and tired of it. I am Italian, Native American and Swedish. I believe in human rights so much and I don't know why the United States and Israel didn't sign the human rights treaty with the United Nations but this was our village for 8,000 years ago. I am now the Director of the Sargent Museum of Archeology and Anthropology. I haven't been paid since October of last year. I have had Terry Knowles, the Attorney General for non-profits here...there was so much fraud going on that I was disgraced. The way the City is now...thank you very much Alderman Long. All of you have been doing an excellent job. I can't say enough about Mrs. DeVries because she gets right to the point. I have a hard time with that. Besides temporal lobe epilepsy, I had meningitis at age 19. I was head of admissions at Lawrence General Hospital. I studied under Dr. Nia Scareto and Dr. Starafan from Persia. I had a good career coming. Instead, I was kidnapped by my father and put in an insane asylum where I suffered

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for 12 years in a cage that I couldn't stand up in. I don't hold any hostility against you. As a matter of fact, my land on the Pasamaquoty reservation, we are letting a gas line come through. By 2008 you will pay half price for your gas and oil. God Bless this City. Watch my TV, channel 18. I am thanking everyone, especially the City Clerk. He deserves a raise.

There being no one else present wishing to speak, on motion of Alderman Roy, duly seconded by Alderman Pinard it was voted to take all comments under advisement and further to receive and file any written documentation presented.

This being a special meeting of the Board, no further business was presented and on motion of Alderman Roy, duly seconded by Alderman Pinard it was voted to adjourn.

A True Record. Attest.

City Clerk